

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Paragraph [027] on page 8 has been amended as follows:

In the disclosure, reference is made to using a multi-character material in a surface coating of an electrosurgical instrument. In the disclosure and in the claims the term "multi-character material" shall refer to any material having a hydrophobic characteristic and a hydrophilic characteristic, or a hydrophobic or hydrophilic characteristic and a charged or ionic group. An example of a multi-character material is an amphophilic amphiphilic material.